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Attached is Grace's response to Mr. Krueger's January 31, 2001 letter to Mr. Ken.

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February 5, 2001

VIA TELECOPY

Thomas J. Krueger Assistant Regional Counsel United States Environmental Protection Agency 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, IL 60604-3590

Re. Western Mineral Products Site Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Krueger:

Grace objects to the mischaracterizations and inaccuracies contained in your letter to Ken Lund dated January 31, 2001 However, in order to continue to proceed along in what I had heretofore perceived to be a more cooperative relationship, I will address those issues and correct the record in a separate letter to you in the near future.

Grace has been (and continues to be) prepared to immediately move forward with formulating a plan to perform the work outlined in EPA's letter. We request a meeting this week (or at your earliest convenience) with EPA personnel and the consultants that performed the initial removal work on behalf of EPA to

- a) review the general scope of the work that EPA believes must be performed;
- b) review EPA's (and its contractor's) experience concerning the initial removal work as well as any existing work plans for related past and future work; and
- c) review the scope of what should be included in Grace's proposed work plan for addressing the next phase of removal activities.

Please contact me or Robert Marriam (901-820-2023) at your earliest convenience to address available dates for this meeting

Sincerely,

David M. Cleary

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